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SURFACE TRANSPORTATION BOARD

30-Day Notice of Intent to Seek Extension of Approval: Report of Fuel Cost,

Consumption, and Surcharge Revenue

ACTION: Notice and request for comments.

AGENCY: Surface Transportation Board.

SUMMARY: As required by the Paperwork Reduction Act of 1995 (PRA), the Surface Transportation Board (STB or Board) gives notice of its intent to seek approval from the Office of Management and Budget (OMB) for an extension of the collection of the Report of Fuel Cost, Consumption, and Surcharge Revenue, as described below. The Board previously published a notice about this collection in the <u>Federal Register</u> on April 17, 2020 (85 Fed. Reg. 21496). That notice allowed for a 60-day public review and comment period. No comments were received.

DATES: Comments on this information collection should be submitted by June 29, 2020.

ADDRESSES: Written comments should be identified as "Paperwork Reduction Act Comments, Surface Transportation Board: Report of Fuel Cost, Consumption, and Surcharge Revenue." Written comments for the proposed information collection should be submitted via www.reginfo.gov/public/do/PRAMain. This information collection can be accessed by selecting "Currently under Review - Open for Public Comments" or by using the search function. As an alternative, written comments may be directed to the Office of Management and Budget, Office of Information and Regulatory Affairs, Attention: Michael J. McManus, Surface Transportation Board Desk Officer: by email

at oira_submission@omb.eop.gov; by fax at (202) 395-1743; or by mail to Room 10235,

725 17th Street, N.W., Washington, DC 20503.

Please also direct comments to Chris Oehrle, PRA Officer, Surface Transportation

Board, 395 E Street, S.W., Washington, DC 20423-0001 and to PRA@stb.gov. For

further information regarding this collection, contact Michael Higgins, Deputy Director,

Office of Public Assistance, Governmental Affairs (OPAGAC), and Compliance, at (202)

245-0284 or michael.higgins@stb.gov. Assistance for the hearing impaired is available

through the Federal Relay Service at (800) 877-8339.

SUPPLEMENTARY INFORMATION: Comments are requested concerning: (1) the

accuracy of the Board's burden estimates; (2) ways to enhance the quality, utility, and

clarity of the information collected; (3) ways to minimize the burden of the collection of

information on the respondents, including the use of automated collection techniques or

other forms of information technology, when appropriate; and (4) whether the collection

of information is necessary for the proper performance of the functions of the Board,

including whether the collection has practical utility. Submitted comments will be

summarized and included in the Board's request for OMB approval.

DESCRIPTION OF COLLECTION

Title: Report of Fuel Cost, Consumption, and Surcharge Revenue

OMB Control Number: 2140-0014

STB Form Number: None

Type of Review: Extension without change

Respondents: Class I [large] railroads

Number of Respondents: Seven

2

Estimated Time Per Response: One hour

Frequency: Quarterly

Total Burden Hours (annually including all respondents): 28

Total "Non-hour Burden" Cost: None identified. Filings are submitted electronically to

the Board.

Needs and Uses: Under 49 U.S.C. 10702, the Board has the authority to address the

reasonableness of a rail carrier's practices. This information collection permits the Board

to monitor the current fuel surcharge practices of the Class I carriers. Failure to collect

this information would impede the Board's ability to fulfill its statutory responsibilities.

The Board has authority to collect information about rail costs and revenues under

49 U.S.C. 11144 and 11145.

Under the PRA, a federal agency that conducts or sponsors a collection of

information must display a currently valid OMB control number. A collection of

information, which is defined in 44 U.S.C. 3502(3) and 5 CFR 1320.3(c), includes

agency requirements that persons submit reports, keep records, or provide information to

the agency, third parties, or the public. Section 3507(b) of the PRA requires, concurrent

with an agency's submitting a collection to OMB for approval, a 30-day notice and

comment period through publication in the Federal Register concerning each proposed

collection of information, including each proposed extension of an existing collection of

information.

Dated: May 26, 2020.

Kenyatta Clay,

Clearance Clerk.

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